## **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

In the Office Action mailed August 11, 2004, the Examiner contends that Applicant claims six distinct inventions in the above-identified United States Patent Application namely:

Species 1: Figs. 2-3B;

Species 2: Figs 4A-B;

Species 3: Fig 5A;

Species 4: Fig. 5B;

Species 5: Fig. 5C; and

Species 6: Fig. 5D.

Thus, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 121, the Examiner requires Applicant to restrict his Application to one of the alleged six inventions. In compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 121, Applicant elects Species 1 as identified by the Examiner and as shown in Figures 2-3B. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-3 and claims 16-18 read upon Species 1 as shown in Figures 2-3B.

Thus, Applicant hereby elects to go forward with the prosecution of claims 1-3 and claims 16-18 of Species 1 as shown in Figures 2-3B. Accordingly, Applicant has canceled claims 4-15 and claims 19-30 of Species 2-6, without prejudice, in order to comply with the restriction requirement. Reexamination and reconsideration of this case is respectfully requested.

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## Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, Applicant requests examination of the elected claims. Examination at the Examiner's earliest convenience is respectfully solicited.

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